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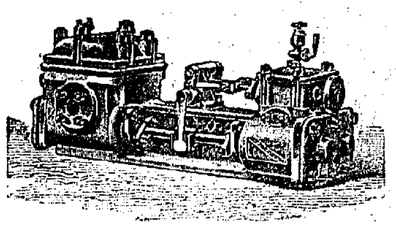
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SANITARY BOARD.

THE Attention of Owners of HOUSE PROPERTY in the Colony is directed to the requirements of Section 7 of Ordinance No. 34 of 1899, with regard to the Backyard for every existing Domestic Building, and to the fact that these Backyards must be Provided before the first day of June, 1900.
By Order,
G. A. WOODCOCK,
Acting Secretary, Sanitary Board.
Sanitary Board Office,
Hongkong, April 10, 1900. 854

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Hongkong, April 2, 1900. 751

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM BONUS of TWENTY PER CENT. upon CONTRIBUTIONS for the year 1899, has been declared.
WARRANTS will be issued on the 1st May.
By Order of the Board,
W. J. SAUNDERS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, April 19, 1900. 915

GOLD MEDAL AND CHAMPIONSHIP.

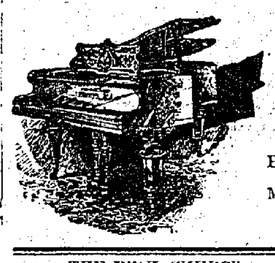
THE FINAL TIE in the above Competition will be Played on WEDNESDAY, May 2nd, 1900. Ladies are cordially invited to the Club House.
By Order,
M. M. MORRIS, Hon. Secretary,
Royal H.K. Golf Club.
Hongkong, April 27, 1900. 975

THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHARES in this Company on which a CALL of $1 was made PAYABLE on the 3rd day of March, 1900, and which said Call has not yet been paid, are liable to be forfeited in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company.
Interest at the rate of 10 per cent. p.a. will be charged on all Overdue Calls.
W. H. GASKELL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, April 12, 1900. 880

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COLLARD, RACHALS.
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MAGNIFICENT LOT NEW HAAKE PIANOS,
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THE PEAK CHURCH.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of WORSHIPPERS at the PEAK CHURCH will be held in the Vestry of St. John's Cathedral, on WEDNESDAY, May 2nd, at 4.30 p.m.
Business:—
To pass the Accounts and Report.
To elect a Committee.
B. F. COBBOLD,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 956

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a MEETING of the Board of Directors of the above Company, held at the Registered Office of the Company, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on Tuesday, the Twenty-Seventh day of March, 1900, the following resolutions were passed:—
1. That in pursuance of the provisions of the Special Resolution passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 7th, and confirmed on the 27th March instant, and since duly registered, the sum of $1,250,000 be withdrawn from the Reserve Fund and be carried as of the 2nd July next, to the Credit of Capital Account, each share being credited with a sum of $25 as paid up thereon in addition to the sum of $50 now standing to the credit of each share.
2. That the balance of $25 per share of the Unpaid Capital of the Company be called up, and that a Call be and is hereby made of $25 per share upon all the shares of the Company, and that the Shareholders be requested to pay the the same to the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their premises, Queen's Road Central, on or before the 2nd day of July A. D. 1900.

Shareholders are hereby requested to pay accordingly.
And Notice is also given that, in accordance with Article 34 of the Company's Articles of Association, interest will be charged as from the said 2nd day of July, 1900, at the rate of $12 per centum per annum, upon all Calls remaining unpaid after the 9th day of July 1900, up to the actual dates of payment of the same.
By Order of the Board,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 27, 1900. 702

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED.

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THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in China and Japan for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in South Africa, in connection with Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s fortnightly service hence to Calcutta. Sailings from Calcutta for Cape Ports every fortnight.
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Hongkong, March 27, 1900. 700

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ZETLAND LODGE,
No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 1st May, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED to attend.
Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 953

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, will be held at the Company's Offices, No. 2, Connaught Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 4th day of May, 1900, at 12 o'clock (NOON), when the SUBJOINED RESOLUTIONS which were Passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 18th day of April, 1900, will be submitted for confirmation, as SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS.
1.—That the Capital of the Company be increased from $1,000,000 to $1,500,000 by the creation of 10,000 New Shares of $50 each.
2.—That such New Shares be issued at a Premium of $25 per Share and be allotted to the Shareholders of the Company in the proportion of One New Share for every Two Shares now held by them.
3.—That the Amount due for the New Shares be called up as follows, viz:—
$50 per Share on the 1st July, 1900, to rank for Six months Dividend out of the Profits of the Year 1900, and the remaining $25 per Share on the 1st October 1900.

Dated the 18th day of April, 1900.
By Order of the Board,
EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.
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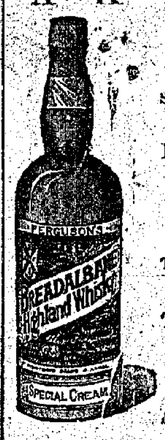
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GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that SCRIP NUMBER 812 for 8 SHARES of the Company, numbered 13813/13821, in the name of WILLIAM MONARCH BURNSIDE ARTHUR, Esquire, of Hongkong, having been LOST, a New Scrip for the same will be issued, after One month from the date hereof and the Original Scrip will be considered by the Company as null and void, and all persons are hereby warned against accepting or negotiating same.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, April 19, 1900. 880

PUBLIC LECTURE.

THE Undersigned will Read a Paper on 'SOME SERIOUS LOCAL PROBLEMS AND A FEW SUGGESTIONS FOR DEALING WITH THEM,' at the CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM, CITY HALL, on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd May, at 5.15 p.m.
A discussion on the above subject will follow.
The Honourable F. H. May, C.M.G., will take the Chair.
Ladies are invited and the Meeting is Open to the Public.
H. E. POOLOCK,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong Chamber of Commerce.
Hongkong April 30, 1900. 969

Business Notices.

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Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

THURSDAY,

the 3rd of May, 1900, at 2.45 P.M., at No. 1, Granville Avenue, Kowloon, the Residence of C. H. W. AITKEN, Esq.,—

THE WHOLE OF HIS

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

(Particulars can be seen from Catalogues).

TERMS:—As Customary.

On View on *Wednesday*, the 2nd May.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 28, 1900. 983

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

SATURDAY,

the 5th May, 1900, at 2.45 p.m., at ROCKLANDS, Robinson Road, the Residence of Dr G. H. BATESON WRIGHT,—

THE WHOLE OF THE

VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—

SILK TAPESTRY and PLUSH-COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE (Marinbark make), TAPESTRY-COVERED COUCHES and EASY CHAIRS, TEAK OVERMANTELS, EXTENSION DINING TABLE, MOROCCO-COVERED CHAIRS, DINNER WAGGONS, SIDEBOARD with MIRROR, JAPANESE PLACQUES, PAINTINGS, CARPETS, SKIN RUGS, LACE CURTAINS, ETC., ETC.

BRASS-MOUNTED DOUBLE BEDSTEAD, ASH-WOOD BEDROOM SUITE, TEAK WARDROBES, MIRRORS, TOILET CROCKERY, ETC.

COOKING RANGE and UTENSILS, PANTRY REQUISITES, and a quantity of POTS and PLANTS.

And

ONE GRAND PIANO by COLLARD and COLLARD.

Also:

A FEW PIECES OF CANTON BLACKWOOD-WARE.

On view from *Friday*, the 4th May.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As Customary.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, April 30, 1900. 987

EYE-SIGHT.

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To-day's Advertisements

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General MEETING of Humphreys Estate and Finance Company, Limited, will be held at the Offices of the Company, 38 and 40 Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th May, 1900, at Noon, when the subjoined Resolution, which was passed at an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 30th April, 1900, will be submitted for Confirmation as a Special Resolution, namely:—

'That the NEW REGULATIONS, approved by this Meeting, and for the purpose of identification, subscribed by the Chairman thereof, be, and the same are hereby approved, and that such Regulations be, and they are hereby adopted as the Regulations of the Company, to the exclusion of all the existing Regulations thereof.'

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
Governing Directors.

A copy of the New Regulations can be seen at the Company's office.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1004

NOTICE.

I Have This Day Established myself as CIVIL ENGINEER, ARCHITECT and SURVEYOR.

E. M. HAZELAND.

OFFICE: No. 1, DES VŒUX ROAD, TOP FLOOR.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1000

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE HONGKONG TIMBER YARD, (Established 1852), has This Day been REMOVED from No. 65, Praya East, Marine Lot 109, to Inland Lot 1508, BOWRINGTON CANAL, near Leighton Hill Road Bridge, and opposite Lee Yuen Sugar Refinery.

L. MALLORY.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1005

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship HAITAN, Captain ROACH, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 3rd Inst., at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 997

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship LOONGSANG, Captain WHIALL, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 4th Inst., at 4 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers and is fitted throughout with the Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 998

To-day's Advertisements

TREASURY BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE, MEXICAN DOLLARS, Current in this Colony, and Weighing 7.1.7, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days' sight on the Lords Commissioners of HER MAJESTY'S TREASURY, London, will be received by the Officer in Charge of H.M. Treasury Chest until 11 a.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd May, 1900.

The TENDERS to state the total amount required (*in Pounds Sterling*) and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for Sums less than £100.

The TENDERS to be in Duplicate and in sealed covers, addressed to the Officer in Charge of H.M. Treasury Chest, and endorsed 'Tenders for Treasury Bills.'

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

E. H. GORGES,
COLONEL,
Treasury Chest Officer, China.

HER MAJESTY'S TREASURY OFFICE,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 30th April, 1900. 1007

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on

MONDAY,

the 7th May, 1900, at 2.45 p.m., at No. 3, Morrison Hill (The Residence of Capt. C. V. LLOYD),—

THE WHOLE OF THE VALUABLE

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,

Comprising:—

TAPESTRY COVERED and RATTAN CHAIRS, TEAK OVERMANTELS, WRITING DESKS, BRASS MOUNTED FENDERS, SIDEBOARD with MIRROR, DINING TABLE—and CHAIRS, BLACKWOOD and TEAK TABLES, INDIAN RUGS, CURTAINS, ENGRAVINGS, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, &c.

DOUBLE and SINGLE BRASS-MOUNTED BEDSTEADS, MARBLE-TOP BUREAU with MIRROR, TOILET TABLES, MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS, TOILET CROCKERY, TEAK WARDROBES with MIRROR, CHEST OF DRAWERS, &c., &c.

COOKING RANGE, PANTRY and BATHROOM REQUISITES, POTS and PLANTS, RICKSHA, &c.

And

A COTTAGE PIANO, by Rosenkranz (in good condition).

On View from *Saturday*, the 5th May.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As Customary.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1001

EXPERIENCED COMPRADORE WANTED.

BY a European Firm, doing IMPORT and EXPORT Business in Hongkong. Applicants, who can give sufficient Security, may address to 'F. E.,' care of Office of this Paper.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1008

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FIFTEENTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company, (since its Registration) will be held in the Board Room, at the Hongkong Dispensary, on MONDAY, the 14th Inst., at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Account to the 31st December, 1899.

The REGISTER of SHARES will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 9th Instant, until SATURDAY, the 19th Inst., both days inclusive, during which period NO TRANSFER of SHARES will be Registered.

By Order,
A. R. MANCELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1006

OFFICIAL NOTICE.—PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME.

WE, WM. ADAMSON & Co., of 10 Lime St., E.C., on behalf of the CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP Co., LTD., of Hongkong hereby give Notice that in consequence of her name not being in keeping with others of the Fleet it is our intention to apply to the Board of Trade, under section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the Ship MEMNOIR of London, Official Number 77120, of Gross Tonnage 1980 tons, of Register Tonnage 1287 tons, heretofore owned by The Eastern and Australian Steamship Co., Ltd., of London, for permission to change her name to 'PERLA,' to be Registered in the said new Name at the Port of Hongkong as owned by The China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.

Any objections to the proposed change of name must be sent to the Assistant Secretary, Marine Department, Board of Trade, within seven days from the appearance of this Advertisement.

Dated, London, this 22nd Day of March, 1900. 1002

'L'UNION'

FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LD.
(Established 1828).

Head Office, 15 Rue de la Banque, Paris.

STATEMENT FOR 1898.

Paid up Capital	2,500,000	10,000,000
Liability of Shareholders	7,500,000	
Reserve		11,205,000
Premiums to be paid-up in 1899 and following year		79,650,334.70
Total Guarantee		Frcs 100,855,334.70

Losses paid by the Company since it was Established:—219,000,000 Francs.

The Undersigned, having been appointed General Agent for the above Company, is prepared to accept risks at current rates. Claims settled direct without reference to the Head Office.

A. R. MARTY,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 1003

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN.

THE Company's Steamship NANCHANG, Captain FINLAYSON, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 10th Inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 999

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	*Vessels.*	*Agents.*	*Date of Leaving.*
Australian Ports	Kasugaa Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	May 25, at 4 p.m.
Australian Ports	Tsinan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 15.
Australian Ports	Eastern (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	May 3, at 4 p.m.
Bremen & Ports of Cal	Prinz Heinrich (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd.	May 2, at noon.
Havre and Hamburg.	Konigsberg (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	May 8.
Havre and Hamburg.	Bamberg (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About May 24.
Havre and Hamburg.	Sarnia (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About June 6.
Havre and Hamburg.	Sambria (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About June 20.
Havre and Hamburg.	Ambria (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	About June 27.
Iloilo	Shantung (s)	Butterfield and Swire.	May 8.
Kobe	Airlie (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	May 5, at noon.
Liverpool	Ixion (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 2.
Liverpool	Idomeneus (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 24.
London & Ports of Cal	Chusan (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	May 12, at noon.
London v. Suez Canal	Alcinous (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	May 15.
London v. Suez Canal	Patroclus (s)	Butterfield and Swire.	May 29.
Manila	Diamante (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	May 2, at 5 p.m.
Manila	Loongsang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	May 4, at 4 p.m.
Manila via Amoy	Yuensang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	May 5, at noon.
Marseilles v. Saigon	Ernest Simons (s)	Messageries Maritimes	May 7, at 1 p.m.
Marseilles, London, &c.	Tamba Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	May 4, daylight.
Marseilles, London, &c.	Sanuki Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	May 18, daylight.
Marseilles & London	Malacca (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About May 3.
M'lles, L'don v. Manila	Yangtsze (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	May 5.
N'saki, Kobe & Y'ma	Inaba Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	May 10, at 4 p.m.
New York	George T. Hay	Siemssen & Co.	Quick despatch.
New York v. Suez Canal	St. Regulus (s)	Dodwell & Co., Ltd	About May 8.
Portland, Oregon	Braemar (s)	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	June 9, at noon.
San Diego v. Japan	Strathgyle (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 20.
S. Francisco v. Japan	Doric (s)	O. & O. S. S. Co.	May 23, at noon.
S. Francisco v. Japan	China (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. C.	May 15, at noon.
S. Francisco v. Japan	Hongkong Maru (s)	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	May 8, at noon.
Seattle, U.S.A.	Idzumi Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	May 7, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Ballaarat (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About May 12.
Shanghai	Wuhu (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	May 3.
S'hai, N'ki, H'go & Y'ma	Hamburg (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd.	About May 2.
S'pore, Penang & C'tta	Suisang (s)	Jardine, Matheson & Co	May 2, at noon.
Swatow	Hailoong (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co	May 2, at 10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & T'su	Tamsui Maru (s)	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.	May 6, daylight.
S'tow, Amoy, & F'chow	Haitan (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co	May 3, at 10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & T'foo	Anping Maru (s)	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.	May 3, daylight.
Tacoma (Wash.), &c.	Queen Adelaide (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	May 10, at noon.
Tientsin	Nanchang (s)	Butterfield & Swire	May 10.
Vancouver (B.C.), &c	Empress of Japan (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	May 16, at noon.
Y'ma, v. N'saki, Kobe	Rohilla (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About May 12.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

April 30.

Prinz Heinrich, German steamer, 3,902, H. Supmer, Yokohama April 21, Mails and General.—MELCHERS & Co.

May 1.

Kwang Ping, Chinese str., from Canton.

Benlarig, British steamer, 1,454, Kroble, London and Singapore April 24, General.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Yuensang, British steamer, 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, R.N.R., Manila April 28, Hemp and Sugar.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Haitan, British steamer, 1,183, J. S. Roach, Foochow April 27, Amoy 28, and Swatow 30, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Hunan, British steamer, 1,196, Frazier, Chinkiang April 25, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Taisang, British steamer, 1,540, P. W. B. Lake, Shanghai April 26, via Swatow 30, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Queen Adelaide, British steamer, 1,835, F. McNair, Saigon April 26, Rice.—DODWELL & Co., LD.

Malacca, British steamer, 2,615, E. G. Andrews, Yokohama April 19, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Hamburg, German str., 6,507, P. Lueneschloss, Bremerhaven March 21, and Singapore April 27, Mails and General.—MELCHERS & Co.

Victoria, Swedish steamer, 1,181, J. A. Hellberg, Chefoo April 25, Oil and Cake (put in to Coal, for Java).—ORDER.

Petrarch, German str., 1,257, H. Vecker, Surabaya April 20, Sugar.—SANDER, WIELER & Co.

Sambia, German str., 3,623, G. Schmidt, Hamburg March 14, and Singapore April 24, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

Orlando, British cruiser, 5,600, Capt. J. H. T. Burke, Manila April 29.

DEPARTURES.

May 1.

Gaelic, for Shanghai and San Francisco.
Chunshan, for Swatow.
Emma Luyken, for Singapore.
Thales, for Swatow.
Hanoi, for Haiphong.
Liguria, Italian cruiser, for Singapore.
Hermes, for Canton.
Machaon, for Singapore and London.
Hunan, for Canton.

CLEARED.

Else, for Chefoo.
St. Irene, for Rangoon.
Carlisle City, for Moji and San Francisco.
Batoum, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Prinz Heinrich*, from Yokohama, Mr J. H. Pye, Mr and Mrs Stickney, Mr and Mrs R. Lemke, Mrs Hoare and family, Miss Cocroft, Messrs C. T. Milne, J. Smith, Rose, and Kunsney.

Per *Yuensang*, from Manila, Mr and Mrs Augier, Mrs Mercer and child, Miss Tuason, Mrs Legarda and child, Messrs Hermanus, Tapia, Hierli, Brown, Tuason, Phelan, Holliday, Munoz, Alvarez, Maencheon, Mulhausen, Baptista, Loyzaja, Mr and Mrs Houson, Mr and Mrs Coudo and son, Mr and Mrs Augustin and 3 daughters, Mrs and Miss Tapia, Mr and Mrs Martinez, Mr Munoz, and 130 Chinese.

Per *Haitan*, from Coast Ports, Mr and Mrs Graham, Mr and Mrs Millward and child, Mr E. Roese, Mr Lu Chu Nyam and servant, Mr Lu Sui Jin, Mr J. McDonald, and and 106 Chinese.

Per *Taisang*, from Shanghai, &c., Mr and Mrs Chilfer and child, Mr Talbot, and 69 Chinese.

Per *Malacca*, from Yokohama, Captain and Mrs Hatherley, Dr and Mrs Hoskyn, Miss Hoskyn, Misses Schwabe (2), Miss Pattison, Miss Sharples, Mrs Shaw, Mrs White, Mrs Rodger, Messrs Arnould, Ceresole, Blechynden, Sharples, Schwabe, and Beart.

Per *Hamburg*, for Hongkong: from Bremen, Messrs Otto von Jordan, Rudolf Leissing, Hugo Lieb, Gustav Meyer, Mr and Mrs Andr. Schoenemann, Miss Adele Schoenemann, Lizzie Schoenemann, Mr Herm. Schiorenberg; from Genoa, Messrs Eduard Amhold, Rudolph Brandes, Fritz Bargmann, W. N. Fleming, Vice-Consul Lang, Consul G. Siemssen, and Mr Jul. Ferd. Wahlen. For Shanghai: from Bremen, Miss Helene Gottsch, Miss Elly Münch, Mrs Nebel and children; from Antwerp, Mr Coppieters; from Southampton, Miss Burnett, Mr and Mrs H. Bernertz, Mr Collins, Miss Crocker, Mr Geo. Fisher, Miss Zelie Hunnex, Mr Hunnex, Mr Geo. Kay, Miss Parker, Miss Prindiville, Mr Alex. Reid, Miss Slater, Mr T. B. Clarke Thornhill and valet; from Genoa, Miss Elise Rauner, Miss Salome Blumhardt, Mr and Mrs Frances A. Carl, Mr Endel, Mr Wm. Noack, and Mrs L. Schiller; from Naples, Mr Gabriel Lamet, Taoai Meizo and secretary. For Yokohama; from Southampton, Mrs Cox, Mr R. G. E. Forster (H.B.M. Consul at Yokohama), Mrs R. G. E. Forster, children and maids, Count Alexander Hoyos, Mr and Mrs W. K. Wilson, children and amah; from Genoa, Vice-Consul Adolph Boji, Mr Otto Meyer, Mr Carl Raab, Mrs Marie Rohling, and Mr Richard Steinbach.

Per *Sambia*, from Singapore, 338 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Yuensang* reports: Moderate N.E. breeze and sea, fine, with passing clouds.

The British steamer *Haitan* reports: From Coast Ports to Hongkong, light N.E. to S.S.E. breeze and following sea. Strs. in Amoy: *Bellerophon*, *Jason*, and *Scong Leong*. Steamers in Swatow: *Taicheong*, *Focksang*, *Taiwan*, *Foochow*, *Newchwang*, *Lokeang*, and *Hoyesan Maru*.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW.—
Per *Hailoong*, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, the 2nd May.

For SWATOW & BANGKOK.—
Per *Chinefa*, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, the 2nd May.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Suisang*, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, the 2nd May.

For MANILA.—
Per *Diamante*, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, the 2nd May.

For SINGAPORE.—
Per *Ixion*, at 1 p.m., on Wednesday, the 2nd May.

For KUMCHUCK & SAMSHUI.—
Per *Saikong*, at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, the 2nd May.
Per *Saikong*, at 4 p.m., on Friday, the 4th May.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Wuhu*, at 1 p.m., on Thursday, the 3rd May.
Per *Lyeemoon*, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 4th May.

For TIMOR, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.
Per *Eastern*, at 3 p.m., on Thursday, the 3rd May.

For SAMSHUI & WUCHOW.—
Per *Samshui*, at 4 p.m., on Thursday, the 3rd May.

For MANILA.—
Per *Yuensang*, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 4th May.

For MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA & TACOMA.—
Per *Queen Adelaide*, at 10 a.m., on Saturday, the 5th May.

For KOBE.—
Per *Airlie*, at 11 a.m., on Saturday, the 5th May.

MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET.—

The German Contract Packet *Prinz Heinrich* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd May, with Mails for the United Kingdom, the Continent of Europe and countries beyond, *via Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, (via Tuticorin), Aden, Egypt, Malta, &c., &c.

Registration 10 a.m. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.)
Letters at 11 a.m.
Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET.—

The Canadian Pacific Mail Packet *Empress of Japan* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 16th May, with Mails, for Shanghai, Japan, United States, Canada, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

10.00 A.M. Registry ceases. (Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.)

11.00 A.M. Post-Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, *with the Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage*, until the time of departure.

MONEY LETTERS.—The Post Office decline all responsibility for unregistered Letters containing bank notes, or jewellery, and, where Registration has been neglected, WILL MAKE NO ENQUIRIES into alleged losses of such letters (Port Guide, 93).

REGISTRATION.—Correspondence can be registered for all Private Ship mails up to fifteen minutes before the time for closing; for the Shanghai or Japan contract mails up to a quarter of an hour before; for mails for Europe, America, and Canada, &c, up to an hour before; for Indian, Northern Pacific, and Torres Straits mails up to half an hour before.

LOCAL DELIVERIES.—Separate Boxes have been provided for posting Correspondence for the Town, Kowloon and the Peak. The Boxes are under the Window at the East end of the Verandah facing Queen's Road.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

5 p.m.—*Diamante* leaves for Manila.

Meetings.

4.30 p.m.—Meeting of Peak Church.

Tender Closed.

11 a.m.—Tenders for Treasury Bills received by the Officer in Charge of H. M. Treasury Chest.

Miscellaneous.

Golf Club Competition.

5.15 p.m.—Public Lecture, by Mr H. E. Pollock, in the City Hall.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, May 3:—
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at No. 1, Granville Avenue, Kowloon, the Residence of C. H. W. Aitken, Esq., by Mr. G. P. Lammert.

FRIDAY, May 4:—
Noon.—Extraordinary General Meeting of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at the Company's Offices, No. 2, Connaught Road.
Goods per *Coromandel* not cleared at 4 p.m. subject to rent.

SATURDAY, May 5:—
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at Rocklands, Robinson Road, the Residence of Dr. G. H. Bateson Wright.
Goods per *Chingwo* not cleared at noon subject to rent.

MONDAY, May 7:—
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Household Furniture, at No. 3, Morrison Hill, the Residence of Captain C. V. Lloyd.

MONDAY, May 14:—
Noon.—Meeting of the A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., at the Hongkong Dispensary.

WEDNESDAY, May 16:—
Noon.—Meeting of the Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., at Offices of the Company No. 38 and 40 Queen's Road Central.

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BIRTH.

On the 1st May, at No. 3, Des Vœux Villas, Mt. Kellett, Peak, the Wife of O. VON DER HEYDE, of a Son.

MARRIAGES.

On 17th April, at St. George's Church, Penang, by the Rev. W. H. C. Dunkerley, Colonial Chaplain, MABEL ADELAIDE, second daughter of C. Crane, Singapore, to ALEXANDER W. GEEKIE, eldest son of A. Geekie, Caupar Angus, Scotland.

On April 18, at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, by the Rev. D. Holland Stubbs, ROBERT FLEMING, sixth son of William Arnott, Esq. of Sydney, N.S.W., to ALICE MARION, fourth daughter of Edward Griffith, Esq., of Brisbane, Queensland.

DEATH.

On the 26th April, at Waterloo House, River Valley Road, Singapore, RICHARD REMMERS, of Jever (Germany), partner in the firm of Pertile and Co. Aged 48.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.25 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MAY 1, 1900.

IT will be a good while yet before we shall know exactly why we went to war in South Africa. Not that we do not know something about the matter now, but we are liable to know "so many things that are not so," and only Time will reveal the real truth. In spite of what our Continental critics say about us, we are a relatively peaceful people, whose main idea is to go quietly about our business, not interfering with others unless they interfere with us. Of course it would be easy to traverse this proposition by citing 'facts' of various sorts, but taken by and large (as the sailors say) this represents the general policy of the British people. It has taken us a long time to get hold of the real animus of the Boer war. Now that it has been definitely and thoroughly apprehended by the British race throughout the world, there are two conspicuous results, one familiar from previous experience, and the other new. The British Nation has settled itself to 'fight to a finish' a war which has many bad points, but which had to be fought, and to be fought now. The Nation has taken its reverses calmly, and without flinching, and accepted its victories and the promise of more and greater ones as the only possible outcome under the existing conditions. But the hitherto unprecedented phenomenon is the almost sudden and certainly permanent unification of the different branches of the great British Empire. The War has done more for this end than a decade or two of merely academic discussions, no matter upon what basis conducted. In the sense of promoting national life, the lives lost have not been thrown away, regarding merely as contributing to the awakening of this great and pregnant perception that the whole is composed of *all* its parts. As a concomitant of this new inter-relation (although by no means a consequence of it) there has come about the 'understanding' between the separate nations of the British stock, which is indeed nothing more than sentiment, but a sentiment of an increasing power and of illimitable potential value. Of this we have already had proof within the past two years, and are likely to have others in the immediate future. The British race we have claimed to be an essentially peaceable race when let alone in its honest industries. But when the instinct of self-preservation has been thoroughly aroused, it tends to find expression in a variety of ways. Every one acquainted with the history of early British relations with China, knows to what extent, which now appears almost incredible, we suffered ourselves to be imposed upon by the Chinese in the first decades of this century. For this, it is true, there were many reasons, one of them being a vague dread of getting tangled into conflict with unknown forces. But when once the war was 'on,' it was fought to what was supposed to be a 'finish.' The trouble was that the subsequent conduct of matters was by no means on a par with the military energy, so that in ten or fifteen years matters had drifted back into the old unsatisfactory conditions. This involved another war, and more fighting 'to a finish,' with results which are known to several. What we have to say of the bearing of the present war upon the future of our relations with China, is that there can scarcely fail to be a renewed interest taken in all our world-wide foreign relations when the African business is once settled forever. Then we shall begin to inquire what other matters in other parts of the world require our attention, and before we have gone far on the superficial area of a terrestrial globe we shall arrive at China. When our relations with this Empire come to be reviewed in the light of the new conditions of the British Empire, we shall expect some kind of a re-adjustment. During the progress of the war, distant as it is from any Chinese territory, and remote as its concerns may be from any Celestial interests, it has been noticeable that the conduct of Chinese officials towards British subjects and British officials has been distinctly changed for the worse by the telegrams narrating the early Boer successes for several months continuously. When the war is over it will not take the Chinese long to alter their attitude (though what attitude they take is of no importance to us), but what is of importance is that we shall by that time have altered ours. When we do that, and do it intelligently and on a fixed plan, the relation of the British Empire to the Chinese Empire may be essentially altered for the better.

This alteration can not take place too soon, and we are reasonably confident that in the course of things it must come. As a preparation for it we ought to do all we can to influence public opinion, which is so much more influential in England than elsewhere in Europe, to insist that there shall be no more repetition of the halting feebleness of the past, no more neglect of the pounds to save the pence, no more wasting at the bung-hole with a view to economy at a small spigot. When that happy day arrives we shall hardly know ourselves, and the Chinese Empire will hardly know us. The day can not arrive too soon, but let us hope that the advent of the Twentieth Century, now at the gates, may bring it.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.)

OUTWARD:—*Conch*, March 6; *Benlomond*, *Anna*, 9; *Saratov*, 13; *Verona*, 16; *Canton*, *Ardandearg*, 23; *Alexander*, *Shantung*, *Taurus*, 27; *Patroclus*, *Pyrrhus*, *Socotra*, *Abbey Holme*, 30; *Indrani*, *Gisela*, *Salahudji*, April 3; *Diomed*, *Aker*, *Roma*, 6; *Ettrickdale*, 10; *Inaba Maru*, *Agamemnon*, 12; *Salazie*, *Ballaarat*, 17; *Indus*, *Ulysses*, *Min*, *Minterne*, 20; *Antenor*, *Benalder*, *Sachsen*, *St. Mary*, *Almond Branch*, 24; *Kamakura Maru*, *Moyune*, *Freiburg*, 27.

HOMEWARD:—*Ceylon*, April 6; *Savoia*, 20; *Calchas*, *Parramatta*, 24; *Sado Maru*, *Konig Albert*, *Orestes*, *Teenkai*, 27.

Mails.

The P. M. Co.'s s.s. *China*, with the AMERICAN MAIL, left Yokohama on Saturday, the 28th April, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 5th May.

The O. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Doric*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 17th April.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver for Hongkong, via usual ports of call, on Thursday afternoon, the 19th April.

Steamers Expected.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Tamba Maru* left Kobe, via Moji for this port, on the 25th April, and is expected to arrive here on the 2nd May.

The O. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Diomed* left Singapore on 28th April, and is due in Hongkong about 3rd May.

The H. A. L. steamer *Sarnia*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on 28th April, and may be expected here on or about the 4th May.

The N. P. Co.'s s.s. *Abergeldie* has arrived at Yokohama, and sailed for Hongkong on the 24th April.

The N. P. Co.'s s.s. *Duke of Fife*, has arrived at Yokohama, and sailed for Hongkong on the 28th April, at daylight.

The s.s. *Arratoon Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore for this port on the morning of 28th April.

The N. P. Co.'s s.s. *Goodwin* sailed from Tacoma, for Japan and Hongkong, on the 26th April.

Latest Advices.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Hiroshima Maru* left Bombay, via ports for this port, on the 28th April, and is expected to arrive here on the 18th May.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of India* arrived at Nagasaki at 7 a.m., on Monday, the 30th April, and leaves again at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, the 1st May, for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 6 p.m., on Wednesday, the 2nd May.

The T. K. K. s.s. *Nippon Maru*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 25th April.

The P. M. S. S. *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails, &c., which left Hongkong March 27th for San Francisco via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu, arrived at her destination on the 26th April.

The N. P. Co.'s s.s. *Victoria* has arrived at Yokohama, and will sail for Hongkong on the 3rd May.

The N. P. Co.'s s.s. *Argyll* has arrived at Yokohama and sailed for Portland, Oregon, on the 1st May.

Hospitals.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals beg to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—

Ho Ngok Lau	$ 50
H. M. H. Nemagee	25
C. & B.	15
W. Hutton Potts	10
H. N. Mody	10
Lutgens Einstmann & Co.	10
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W. H. Percival	10
The Medical Hall	10
P. F. Talati	10
Asgar & Esmail	10
Campbell, Moore & Co.	10
T. Secombe Smith	10

The Philippine Commission.

Consul-General Wildman informs us that the U. S. transport *Hancock*, bearing the American Civil Commission to the Philippines, is due in Hongkong on 9th May, and that Admiral Remey, U.S.N., will arrive here on the U. S. S. *Brooklyn* on May 5.

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Notes by the Way.

A British Consul is to be appointed to Nanking.

Commencing to-night, the steamers to Canton will leave at 6 p.m., instead of 5.30 p.m.

During the twenty-four hours ending noon on 1st May, 5 new cases of plague were reported, and 4 deaths.

It is expected that Admiral Watson, on the *Baltimore*, will shortly visit the Colony *en route* for the United States *via* the Canal.

According to *The Peking and Tientsin Times*, the Viceroy Li Hung-chang's family was to leave Peking on the 22nd April for the South.

As notified in our advertisement columns, Mr A. R. Marty has been appointed local agent for the Union Fire Insurance Co. of Paris.

The Queen declined the invitation to visit Belfast, her reason being that the fatigue might undo the benefit derived from the change of air.

A steam vessel named the *Hercules* for the Royal Engineer Department, Hongkong, in command of Captain H. C D. Frampton, arrived at Singapore on April 22, and left for Hongkong on April 25.

During the week ended 28th April, there have been 33 cases of bubonic plague notified in the Colony of which 28 have proved fatal. There were also one fatal case of diptheria and three cases of enteric fever, one of which resulted in death. All these, with the exception of two plague cases, occurred in Victoria.

Mr N. H. Mody, the son of our well known old resident, Mr H. N. Mody, is here on a short visit from London. During his stay at home he succeeded in taking his B.A. degree at Trinity Hall, Cambridge and is also a Barrister-at-law of the Middle Temple. He had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty the Queen last year.

Mr McCutcheon, the well-known correspondent of the *Chicago Record*, is at present in Hongkong, having arrived from an extended trip in the Philippines. Mr McCutcheon leaves shortly for Lorenzo Marques to represent the *Record* in Pretoria with the Boer Forces. Mr J. L. Stickney, who did some good work in the early stages of the Philippines campaign, is the correspondent of the *Record* with the British force.

Sale of the 'Tokio Maru.'

The *Tokio Maru*, which was wrecked on the Miaoto Islands, Gulf of Pechili, was sold by auction by Messrs Hopkins, Dunn, & Co., on April 26. The ship was sold for Tls. 11,250 and the cargo for Tls. 6,250 to Chinese purchasers.

A Popular Commissioner.

On 25th April, Mr. Louis Pocher, Commissioner of Customs at Shanghai, was met in the Customs Club and presented with an address and a set of charming fruit dishes from the foreign members of the Customs staff on the occasion of his departure for home on leave.

Sir Frank Swettenham.

Sir Frank Swettenham, K.C.M.G., Acting Governor of the Straits, whose appointment as Commissioner to Weihaiwei was reported in our special telegram last night, has been granted three months' vacation leave, to be followed by four months' leave on half-pay from April 29.

Arrival of a large Liner.

The N. D. L. steamer *Hamburg* (Captain Luneschloss) arrived to-day from Bremen on her maiden voyage to the East. She is a magnificent vessel, of 6,597 tons, the exact counterpart of the *Konig Albert*, and is fitted and decorated in the latest style. She made an excellent trip out and has a large number of passengers on board. The *Kiao Chau*, of the same Company, follows the *Hamburg* on the Eastern mail service.

German Shipping.

It is reported that a German shipping firm is to enter into competition with the British and Japanese steamers on the trade between Australia, China and Japan, and that suitable steamers for the run are shortly to arrive in Hongkong. This is still another branch of the great trunk line of the Norddeutscher Lloyd, which it is contemplated will soon extend its service right across the Pacific, and may give facilities for passengers travelling direct from Europe to San Francisco on the same steamer. The advantages of such facilities are apparent to everyone.

A SPRAINED ANKLE QUICKLY CURED.

"At one time I suffered from a severe sprain of the ankle, says Geo. E. Cary, editor of the *Guide*, Washington, Va. "After using several well recommended medicines without success, I tried Chamberlain's Pain Balm, and am pleased to say that relief came as soon as I began its use and a complete cure speedily followed. This remedy has also been used in my family for frost-bitten feet with the best results. I cheerfully recommend its use to all who may need a first-class liniment." Sold by All Dealers, Watkins & Co., Gen. Agents.

Piracy on the West River.

We are informed that the Chinese authorities are taking vigorous though perhaps not systematic measures to suppress piracy on the West River. They are sometimes successful, however, in arresting a few of the offenders, and the other morning, at a military station on the river, summary punishment was meted out to a number of pirates who had been captured red-handed.

Sale of Crown Land.

At the offices of the Public Works Department on Monday afternoon, Mr G. J. W. King offered for sale by auction three lots of land. Two lots situate in Queen's Road West brought forth no bids but Building lot No. 104, situate in Mount Gough Road, was purchased for Mr R. N. Nissean for $11,220, $20 above the upset. The annual rental is £64 and the contents in square feet 11,200.

H.M.S. 'Terrible.'

On the arrival of H.M.S. *Terrible* at Colombo she was placed in quarantine in consequence of having called at Mauritius *en route*. The crew of the *Terrible* numbers 1,000 including 400 of the men who went to the relief of Ladysmith. Thirty-five of the cruiser's guns were left at the front, and to replace them new guns were sent out from England.

Dewey Day.

It is on May morn that lovers gather the dew which is to make them happy in after life, and consequently the name 'Dewey' day might have been applied to the 1st of May long ago. Only since 1st May, '98, however, has the name come into use, for it was on that day that Admiral Dewey destroyed the Spanish flotilla in Manila Bay. Since then the day is recognised by Americans far and near as a day of festivity and rejoicing, and one or two social functions take place in the Colony, to-night, in honour of the anniversary of the event.

The Late Sir Nicholas J. Hannen.

The death of Sir Nicholas J. Hannen, Chief Justice of H.B.M.'s Supreme Court, Shanghai, which was announced by telegram to have occurred on April 26, was peculiarly sad inasmuch as it happened on the very eve of his departure for home, with his family, to enjoy the leisure due after thirty years of hard work in China and Japan. His illness was the result of a heavy cold which developed into influenza followed by an affection of the heart. The deceased was a native of London and a brother of Baron Hannen. In accordance with Sir Nicholas's wishes his remains were cremated in the Crematorium on Sunday morning. Mr F. S. A. Bourne, Assistant Judge, will act as Chief Justice, pending the arrival of Chief Justice Wilkinson who had already been appointed to succeed Sir Nicholas on the latter's retirement from active service.

Smoking Concert.

A smoking concert was held last night in the hall of St Patrick's Club which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. The concert commenced at 8.30 p.m., when Sergeant Clark, R.W.F., occupied the chair, and Mr Hubbard kindly presided at the piano. There was a large attendance of soldiers, sailors and civilians. During the interval a presentation of prizes was made to the successful competitors in a billiard handicap which was recently held in the Clubs. The following contributed to the programme:—Bom. Perigo, R.A., Private Morris, R.W.F., Private Kent, R.W.F., Mr Drake, Mr Evans, L. S. McGill, Gunner Donelan, Gunner Curtis, Mr Wohlton, Sapper Marks and Sergeant Clarke, R.W.F. The toasts of 'The Queen,' 'Our Comrades in South Africa,' and 'The Club and its Future Prosperity' having been duly honoured, a good night's entertainment was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

The Rush to Europe.

Respecting the heavy booking on steamers crossing the Atlantic, we are informed that, though there is some little difficulty in booking direct through from Hongkong, the steamship lines across the Pacific foresaw to some extent the rush and had made provision for the contingency. The C. P. R. Company, being desirous of securing passages direct for their through passengers, have purchased a number of berths on the principal Atlantic steamers, and arrangements have been made for advising the management of the Company in America, on the departure of the steamer from Yokohama, of the number of passengers intending to cross the Atlantic. It is hoped that by this means passages will be secured on steamers crossing the herring pond without causing the passengers any inconvenience. There has been a great demand for berths on the *Oceanic*, and as she is not included in the list of steamers on which the C.P.R. has secured berths, it is presumed that her accommodation has been fully engaged months ahead.

INFLUENZA IN THE BLOOD.—"We have seen hosts of letters from people who have received great benefit from the use of Clarke's Blood Mixture. It cannot be too highly estimated, for it cleanses and clears the blood from all impurities." This is a good testimonial from the *Family Doctor*, which goes on further to say: "It is the finest Blood Purifier that science and skill have brought to light, and we can with the utmost confidence recommend it to our subscribers and the public generally." For Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples and Sores of all kinds, its effects are marvellous. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Clarke's Blood Mixture is sold everywhere at 2s. 9d. per bottle. Beware of purchasing imitations and substitutes. K24

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 29th April.

THE WAR.

Reuter's correspondent at Aliwal North, 27th inst., says that there are still several small commandos, totalling one thousand, with five guns, at Smithfield and the lower Caledon district.

In view of contingencies orders have been given to clear all hospitals in Cape Colony.

It is reported that General Hamilton while marching to Thabanchu defeated a body of Boers with considerable loss.

Reuter's correspondent at Masoru on 28th April, says that the Boers are taking cross country roads to the northward. Heavy firing was heard in the morning in the direction of Thabanchu.

Reuter's correspondent at Bloemfontein, 28th inst., says that the commandos round Thabanchu are dispersing singly to their homes. Many who had previously sworn allegiance declare that they were compelled to fight. Intercepted letters prove that many of the submissions were a dishonourable device to enable the creation of trouble from the rear.

General Pole-Carew's division has arrived at Bloemfontein.

The Boer peace delegates, without visiting any further European Capital, are sailing in the *Jerica*.

SHIPMENT OF TREASURE FROM THE TRANSVAAL.

A French steamer has shipped a quarter of a million in gold at Lourenco Marques, consigned to Paris by the Banque Francaise at Johannesberg.

THE JAPANESE PRINCE IN EUROPE.

Prince Cotohito has had a cordial interview with King Leopold at Brussels and will lunch with His Majesty at the palace to-morrow. The Prince will proceed to London on Tuesday.

ACCIDENT AT THE PARIS EXHIBITION.

A bridge in the grounds of the Paris exhibition collapsed, and falling on a crowd below killed seven and injured many.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

An extraordinary general meeting of the China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd., was held on April 30, at No. 9 Praya Central, in order to confirm special resolutions passed at an extraordinary general meeting held on 14th April. Mr R. Shewan presided. The other gentlemen present were: Messrs D. Gillies, N. A. Siebs, J. H. Lewis (Directors), A. Babington, G. H. Potts, A. Reid, M. Watson, R. D. Anderson, Fung Wa Chuen and Siu Un.

The Chairman proposed—'That the Capital of the Company be increased from $300,000 to $1,000,000 by the creation of 14,000 new shares of $50 each,—such new shares to be offered to all such persons as are registered members of the Company on the Fourteenth day of April 1900, in the proportion of seven new shares for every three old shares then held by them.'

Mr D. Gillies seconded.

Carried unanimously.

The Chairman proposed—'That any new shares which it shall be found impossible to distribute in accordance with the terms of Resolution No. 1, without dividing them into fractions, shall be dealt with in such manner as the General Managers shall determine.'

Mr Siebs seconded.

Carried unanimously.

The Chairman proposed—'That if any such new shares shall not be accepted by members in such proportion as is mentioned in Resolution No. 1, the same shall be disposed of by the General Managers in such manner as the Consulting Committee shall direct.'

Mr Lewis seconded.

Carried unanimously.

The Chairman proposed—'That the sum of $98,000 be taken from the Reserve Fund of the Company and converted into capital and be applied in the payment of $7.00 per share on the new shares.'

Mr Potts seconded.

Carried unanimously.

The Chairman proposed—'That the balance of $43.00 per share on the new shares be called up in instalments of not more than $10.00 at any one time, and at intervals of not less than three months'.

The Chairman thanked those present for their attendance and intimated that the business of the meeting was concluded.

THE QUEEN'S VISIT TO IRELAND.

MAGNIFICENT RECEPTION OF HER MAJESTY.

London, April 2.—In connection with the visit of her Majesty the Queen to Ireland on Wednesday, April 4, there are nine miles of decorations between Kingstown and Phœnix Park, Dublin. £10,000 has been spent in illuminations.

April 3.—The Queen left Windsor on her projected visit to Ireland yesterday. Her Majesty spent the night in the train, resting at Llandudno, in Wales.

April 4.—Her Majesty the Queen crossed from Llandudno to Kingstown yesterday, and was not fatigued by the voyage. Her Majesty witnessed the illuminations of the town and the shipping from seaward, and slept on the Royal yacht. The Channel Squadron preceded the Queen on her voyage.

The Queen landed this morning at Kingstown and was received with great enthusiasm.

Conference of Japanese Consuls.

The Kobe Chronicle on the 24th inst. announced that a conference of the Japanese Consuls stationed at Shanghai, Foochow, Hongkong and Amoy was to be held in a few days at Amoy at the request of the Governor-General of Formosa, and that Mr Goto, Director of the Formosan Administration Bureau, would attend the conference, the object of which is not stated.

INTERESTING FUNCTION AT THE MAGISTRACY.

PRESENTATION TO MR. W. M. B. ARTHUR, CHIEF CLERK.

This afternoon, at half-past four o'clock, an interesting ceremony took place at the Magistracy which gives ample testimony to the good relations which exist between the European and Native Staffs. For over twenty-two years Mr. W. M. B. Arthur has devoted his time and attention to the work of the Colonial Government and there is no better known figure in Hongkong than his. Mr Arthur has served the Government in more than one capacity and latterly he acted as Chief Clerk at the Magistracy. In this position he was brought into contact with many people but with none more closely than with the staff under him. Having made up his mind to leave for home to-morrow, by the German Mail, his friends both Chinese and Indian and the past and present staff of the Magistracy, resolved to show in tangible form their appreciation of their long dealings with Mr Arthur. Accordingly, at the time mentioned, a goodly company assembled at the Magistracy, and Mr Wm. Ng Kwai Shang, second clerk, on behalf of himself and the subscribers, handed to his superior a handsome gold watch and chain. Mr Arthur suitably acknowledged the gift. Mr Arthur goes home on four months vacation leave, on the expiry of which he retires from the service on pension.

MANILA NOTES.

MR LOUIS SPITZEL ACQUITTED OF AN ABSURD CHARGE.

A POSSIBLE GROUND FOR DAMAGES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

MANILA, April 25.

Mr Louis Spitzel, who has been on trial before Judge Hall, of the Superior Provost Court, on the charge of smuggling jewelry into Manila, has been acquitted. The prosecution tried hard to obtain an indictment, but the evidence developed during the trial was such as to preclude the finding of guilty. The hearing before Judge Hall developed the following facts: that Spitzel had had business dealings in China for two years past with a Mr Levy and that Levy was in Spitzel's employ. When Spitzel went to Europe and America last year he left Levy in charge of his business in Shanghai, and during Spitzel's absence Levy, holding Spitzel's power of attorney, sold the latter out and came to Manila. He brought with him jewelry valued at three thousand dollars Mexican which belonged to Spitzel, and when Spitzel arrived in Manila last March Levy handed him the jewelry in question. This jewelry paid no Custom duties upon entering Manila; the prosecution claimed that Levy was in Spitzel's employ and consequently his agent and that Spitzel, although absent in America when Levy brought the jewelry to Manila, was accountable for Levy's act and consequently guilty of smuggling. Spitzel's counsel proved in Court that Spitzel was not a party to Levy's act, that Levy was not in Spitzel's employ when the act was committed and that Spitzel could not have connived by cable from Washington in the smuggling of jewelry that saved the smugglers the insignificant sum of forty-seven dollars Mexican. The charge was manifestly absurd, forced and ridiculous, and it brings no credit to the Court that promulgated and tried it.

Ever since Spitzel has been in Manila the American authorities, through their secret service bureau, have been trying to get some sort of a case against him because they considered him to have some connection, either direct or indirect, with filibustering. They could find nothing of this nature against him and the detectives who were put on his track the day he arrived here saw the futility of their efforts; then this absurd charge of smuggling was brought in just as Spitzel was leaving for Hongkong.

Spitzel may have a case of malicious prosecution against the American government—such a claim can only be brought through the British Foreign Office, and the American authorities declare their *prima facie* case against Spitzel to have been sufficent to bring him to trial on the charge as specified.

The English Consul at Manila attended Spitzel's trial and Spitzel had his own stenographer present to take verbatim notes of the proceedings. Sentiment in Manila has been clearly with Spitzel throughout the trial, and had the Court rendered a verdict of guilty in his case, public opinion would have vindicated him and expressed its opinion of the Court in no stinted terms.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—

On the 1st at 11.55 a. The barometer has fallen generally. Pressure remains high over Japan, and a depression seems to be forming between the E. coast of China and the Loochoos. Gradients slight on the China coast. Forecast:—moderate or light E. winds; fair.

Attempt to Rob a Bank.

A daring attempt was made to enter the premises of the China and Japan Bank at Singapore on April 23. The Sikh watchman on duty reported that at 5.30 he found that the front door had been forced and the premises entered. Two drawers had been opened and a kind of key abstracted. This key releases certain bolts of the strong room door, and this had been thus tampered with. The combination here, however, defeated the purpose of the thieves, or they were disturbed, for they evidently decamped in a hurry, taking $7 in silver only from one of the drawers.—*S. F. Press.*

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ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

CLOSING RACE OF THE SEASON.

On Sunday, 29th ult., the last race of the season was sailed for the Cowechow Rock Cup, presented by the Hon. C. P. Chater, C.M.G., the course being round the Rock about one mile S.W. of Cowechow, leaving it to starboard. There was a light east wind blowing at the time and a very pretty start was effected, twelve yachts getting away almost in line. All ran very close together down to Green Island, except the Doreen, who with great judgment kept well away to the north. In Sulphur Channel the breeze died down and any yachts near the Hongkong shore soon becalmed, those nearer Green Island keeping the breeze a little longer. Meteor, who was the leading boat, kept clawing out as far north as she could get but eventually met the same fate. In the meantime Doreen had had a steady breeze down half way from Green Island to Cowechow, but unfortunately for herself she turned south too soon and also ran into the calm. Active and Dart, however, managed to creep away to the north from Green Island and taking warning by Doreen sailed round her, as did also Meteor. Iris who, by carefully watching every little flow, had managed to crawl out on the same track, got round the rock about twelve minutes behind the Dart. With a very strong flood tide running they all worked over to Stonecutters on the beat back and the Active, sailing very well in the light wind, held her own capitally and scored an easy victory, the times of finishing being as under.—

Yacht.	Handicap.	min.	sec.	H.	M.	S.
* Active	Rec.	7	10	5	6	42
Meteor	,,	3	30	5	7	3
Iris	,,	2	30	5	13	35
Dart	,,	8	30	5	20	43
Doreen	,,	4	30	5	21	51
Bonito	Scratch			5	55	12
Gloria	Rec.	4	30	6	6	6
Payne	,,	10	00	6	11	35

* Winner of Cup.

The remainder gave up.

We congratulate Mr Pollock on his victory, which is due chiefly to his good judgment and on his being the possessor of one of the most valuable trophies competed for this season.

SHOOTING.

H.K.V.C.—THE GILLIES CUP.

The second competition for the Gillies Cup took place on the Association Range. The scores were as follows:—

Names.	200 yds.	400 yds.	500 yds.	H'cap	Total.
Gunner Sayers	32	30	26	15	103
,, Logan	27	28	21	21	97
,, Stewart	31	35	29	sc.	95
,, Lapsley	32	30	28	5	95
Sergt. Rutter	32	30	29	3	94
Corp. White	25	31	28	5	89
Gunner Raltez	30	29	25	sc.	84
Bomb. Deas	24	28	12	14	78
Gunner Donaldson	12	28	27	9	76

FIELD BATTERY.

The Field Battery held their fourth and final competition for the Belilios Cup on the 29th April. The following are the ten best scores:—

	200 yds.	400 yds.	500 yds.	Handicap.	Total.
Drum. Ford	30	30	26	13	99
Gr. Ellis, O.	23	31	22	21	97
,, Logan	27	28	21	21	97
,, Stewart	31	35	29	Sc.	95
,, Grey	32	30	32	,,	94
Sergt. Rutter	32	30	29	2	93
Gr. Sayer	32	30	26	5	93
,, Lapsley	32	30	28	2	92
,, Alves, A.A.	31	31	23	5	90
Drum. Burgess	29	29	30	Sc.	88

The conditions for the Belilios Cup competition, confined to the Field Battery, are that the two best scores (including Handicap points) to count as the winner. Gr. Lapsley is therefore the fortunate possessor of the Cup, with a score of 194 out of a possible 210. Sergt. Drum. Brown comes second with 193, and first in the nett score. The following are the ten best scores for two shoots:—

	Scores	Scores	Total.
Gr. Lapsley	94	100	194
Sergt. Drum. Brown	96	97	193
Gr. Pidgeon	96	96	192
,, Grey	96	94	190
,, Stewart	95	95	190
,, Sayer	96	93	189
,, Alves, A.A.	94	92	186
,, Burgess	92	91	183
,, Humphreys	83	99	182
Corpl. White	97	84	181

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

There was a small attendance at the Range on Saturday for the Weekly Spoon Competition, only ten members competing. The scoring was well up to the average. At the close of the competition Mr Pidgeon, a promising shot, compiled a 'possible' out of ten shots at the 600 yards range:—

SCORES.

	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Handicap.	Total.
* C. S. N. Wallace, R.E.	30	35	30	—	95
* F. Penning	29	29	24	10	92
J. Pidgeon	29	32	30	—	91
Q. M. Sergt. West, R.E.	32	27	31	—	90
J. Cramer, R.N.	31	32	27	—	90
M. J. Northcote	30	23	26	10	89
Sergt. Blair	29	30	25	—	84

* Winners of Spoons.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LIBERALS AND HOME RULE.

London, March 31.—The National Liberal Federation in its sittings at Nottingham did not mention the question at Home Rule for Ireland.

The omission has greatly irritated the Irish Nationalists.

PROPOSED REPRESENTATION OF THE COLONIES.

April 4.—In the House of Commons last night, Mr T. C. H. Hedderwick (Liberal) moved a resolution that the colonies should have some direct representation in the British Parliament. Mr Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, in replying, made a masterly survey of the complex problem. He said it was impossible to act on an abstract resolution in the absence of any authoritative demand from the colonies. Moreover, he said, the resolution was at variance with the federal system proposal. The resolution was withdrawn.

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THE WAR.

General Cronje at St. Helena.

London, April 15.—General Cronje and his wife have landed at St. Helena, where the Governor and his wife received them courteously. Five hundred more prisoners have sailed including 40 Frenchmen, Russians, and Germans captured at Boshof.

Boer Treatment of Prisoners.

Lord Roberts has protested against the Boer treatment of the sick and wounded prisoners, there being sufficient evidence to convince him that it is utterly inhuman. It has created very bitter feeling against the Transvaal Boers, both among the British and the Free States who have surrendered.

The Boer Crusade on the Continent.

According to a Milan journal, the Boer Delegate (Fischer) who, in company with Wolmarans, is preaching a crusade against the British among the great Continental Powers, the Boer forces available to continue the war number only 25,000; but he hopes to so awaken the sympathies of Europe as to secure a large number of recruits. He is sanguine that the influence of political parties in America, who have already been won over by the Boers, will be sufficient to make the Republican National Convention declare sympathy with the Boers, and take active measures to send them assistance in arms and men.

General Gatacre's Recall.

Referring to the order of Lord Roberts, depriving General Gatacre of command and ordering him to England, it is stated General Gatacre has never been the same man since the Stormberg affair; that reverse preyed heavily on his mind, and appeared to deprive him of all his old resources. His activity afterwards merely was spasmodic, and his movements fitful and indeterminate.

Buller Surprised at Elandslaagte.

The Press severely criticise Lord Roberts for suppressing the name of the officer who was responsible for the ambuscade. It appears that General Buller was wholly unprepared for the attack the enemy made on his camp at Elandslaagte; and serious disaster was only averted by the marvellous pluck and freedom from panic of the veterans of the Tugela.

The *Times* correspondent at Ladysmith states that Kaffirs arrived in the camp on Monday and reported the attack was intended and that strong Boer force was making active preparations for a general assault. Little attention was paid to the warning. No particular precautions were taken to prevent surprise. When the first Boer shell fell into the camp, it created the utmost astonishment; and, so unexpected was its appearance, that the troops were enjoying the careless security of a garrison town. The Naval guns were still lashed behind the wagons, and the delay which occurred to get them into action was considerable. By a supreme effort, however, ten guns were got into position, and the enemy's attack repelled.

General Buller's force has been considerably weakened by the detachment of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers and the Connaught Rangers who under General Hunter join Lord Roberts' force. The famous Irish Regiments received an affecting farewell from their comrades of the Army of the Tugela.

Attempted Escape of a Boer Commandant.

The Boer Commandant Schiel and two other prisoners at St. Helena have made an attempt to escape in a Dutch cruiser, to which ship they had bribed a fisherman to convey a letter, which, however, was taken by mistake to the British cruiser 'Niobe,' and the attempt was frustrated. For this act Commandant Schiel has been interned in the citadel.

The Spionkop Failure.

April 18.—Despatches relating to Spionkop bristle with painful contradictions. General Buller apparently ordered General Warren to hold back his right opposite Spionkop, and press his left forward, so as to gain the open ground beyond; but General Warren's Staff concurred that the Acton Homes Road was impossible and Spionkop essential. Genl. Coke, when ordered to attack, requested delay for the purpose of reconnoitring the enemy's position. Nevertheless, Gen. Woodgate carried it successfully, falling himself. Col. Crofton telegraphed:—'Reinforcements at once, or all is lost.; General dead.' Thereupon General Coke advanced, he himself remaining at the foot of the hill because he was lame.

General Warren, after detailing preparations, adds:—'General Buller agreed to attack Spionkop, but appointed Colonel Thorneycroft to command the summit. The latter failed to reply to General Warren's repeated inquiries. General Coke reported that the situation was extremely critical, and unless enemy's guns were silenced, the men were incapable of standing another day. General Warren thereupon despatched Engineer and Artillery reinforcements which met Col. Thorneycroft descending despite vigorous protests of senior and other officers.

General Buller's despatch admits suggesting Col. Thorneycroft for the command of the hill, and adds—'Had Spionkop been brought under regular Military command, with entrenchments and proper supplies of food and water, he is sure the hills could have been held, yet he admits limiting rations to three and a half days when the operations took eight.'

General Coke appears to have been ordered away just when he was useful, and nobody succeeded him. Col. Thorneycroft saved the situation with the greatest gallantry, inasmuch as the preparations for the next day had not been commenced. At nightfall he exercised a wise discretion. General Buller concludes: 'I thereupon withdrew the whole force. The expedition ought to have succeeded; the enemy were disheartened, and their losses were greater than ours; we were in excellent fettle.'

Lord Roberts ascribes the failure of the attempt to the unwarrantable and needless assumption of responsibility by subordinate officers. The enemy's night fire was inconsiderable. Col. Thorneycroft could have communicated with General Warren in a couple of hours; yet, immediately General Coke disappeared, Colonel Thorneycroft, without referring to his superior authority, issued an order upsetting the whole plan of operations, and rendering all sacrifices which had been made unavailing.

The Press generally agrees with the criticisms of the *Pioneer*. The *Standard* says that the failure was due to General Buller's underrating the difficulties of ground and misjudging food supplies, and for this reason Colonel Crofton and others are not censured. Had the hill been held, doubtless next day would have seen a brilliant victory.

April 17.—Despatches from General Buller and General Warren regarding Spionkop, with a covering despatch from Lord Roberts, have been gazetted.

Lord Roberts, after observing that the plan of operations is not very clearly described, regrets to state that Col. Thorneycroft's assumption of responsibility and authority in ordering the withdrawal was wholly inexcusable; at the same time he mentions his very gallant behaviour throughout the day. Lord Roberts regrets that General Warren, knowing the position was critical, did not visit Spionkop, and concurs with General Buller that it was want of organisation and system which acted most unfavourably on the defence. He agrees with General Buller that this attempt to relieve Ladysmith, which was well devised, ought to have succeeded, and its failure was partly due to difficulties of the ground and the commanding positions of the enemy; probably, also to errors of judgment and want of administrative capacity on the part of General Warren. But whatever faults General Warren may have committed, failure must also be ascribed to the disinclination of the Commander-in-Chief to assert his authority and see that what he thought best was done. Lord Roberts says that the gratifying feature of the despatches is the admirable behaviour of the troops.

Colonel Crofton, of the Lancasters, whom General Buller's Spionkop despatch blamed by implication, has been placed on half-pay.

School for Kowloon.

Plans have been prepared of an elegant building to be utilized as a school and schoolhouse for Kowloon, to be erected on a site on Observatory Hill facing Robinson Road. The building, which is estimated to cost $15,000, is to be presented to the Colony by Mr Ho Tung, and the site is to be granted free by the Government. The plans were designed by Messrs Palmer and Turner, who have issued contracts for the work to be completed in about ten months. The design of the building is Gothic in character, the schoolhouse being two storeys in height and the school proper one storey. The building will be of red brick with plaster dressings, and will be raised on a granite stone wall about ten feet above the level of the road. There will be one large school-room and two class-rooms, and separate entrances will be provided for boys and girls. The class rooms will be divided by a moveable partition. The building will provide accommodation for 150 children. Work on the building is to be commenced immediately in order to provide as soon as possible for the much-needed schooling facilities of this suburb of Victoria.

SCIENCE AND THE SALAD.

[Major Brown, of the Board of Health, Manila, has expressed the opinion that the consumption of raw vegetables in the form of salads, etc., is largely responsible for the spread of the bubonic plague.]

Ye ruthless men of Science, who destroy
our peace of mind,
By assuring us that everything we eat
Contains the vilest poison, that destruction
lurks behind,
The humble little 'tater' and the meat.

We've hearkened to your counsels, we've
eschewed the giddy eel,
And we've struck the toothsome oyster
off our list;
For you're warned us of the agonies we
any day might feel,
Till we wonder how the dreaded death
we've missed.

We shudder at beholding just a little piece
of beef,
We can see the wily microbe crouched
to spring;
And the 'Sudden Death' bacteria, against
our fond belief,
Is lurking in the cabbage, loathsome
thing!

And we dare not touch the water, and the
milk is full of germs,
So we've had to take to whisky 'gainst
our will;
And we think with morbid horror of the
writhing, hungry worms
Which the milkman doesn't mention in
his bill.

And now you tell us bluntly that our salad
too must go,
If we wish to stay another day on earth;
And we cannot feel but thankful, that the
dreaded truth we know,
Though we wonder how we've struggled
on from birth.

Let us brave the subtle microbe if we do
not wish to die,
Through avoiding every form of drink
and food;
And face our doom courageously, with
calm unflinching eye,
Though we swallow microbes roasted,
raw, or stewed.

SUI SANG.

Aguinaldo as an Author.

Aguinaldo, writing to the *Revue des Revues*, after detailing numerous excesses which he alleges have been committed by General Otis' army, says: 'Yes, war is frightful. America may be indifferent to all the calamities with which she is overwhelming us; but she cannot wish to go on sacrificing her own sons to spread horror and anguish to the mothers, widows and children of Americans for the sake of carrying on a war that is contrary to all the traditions left by Washington and Jefferson. I affirm the absolute truth of the facts I have set forth. I address the peoples of the civilized world. It rests with them to say impartially on which side there is right and justice.'

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS.—At *Kowloon*.—Isla de Cuba, Taiyuan, Progress, St Irene, U.S.S. Monterey, Zaire.

Cosmopolitan.—Don Juan de Austria, Independent, Devawongse.

Aberdeen.—(none.)

Opium Quotations.

HONGKONG, May 1, 1900.

New Patna, cash	880/25
Old Patna, cash	865
New Benares, cash	830
Old Benares, cash	—
New Malwa, credit	—
Allowance, Taels	—
Last Year	900 /910
Allowance, Taels	8/5, /10
Old Malwa credit	920/950
Allowance, Taels	8/6, 12/16
Persian, Oily, cash	—
Allowance, Taels	—
Persian, Paper tied long	880/900
Allowance, Taels	—
Persian, Paper tied long cakes	—

Shipping.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LIVERPOOL (DIRECT).

(Taking Cargo at LONDON Rates).

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EXMOUTH,
Captain THOMSON, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd May.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, April 28, 1900. 967

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's New Screw Ship
DIAMANTE,
Captain G. J. BEARDS, will be despatched for the above Port THURSDAY, the 3rd inst., at Noon.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the excellent Accommodation provided by this Steamer. She is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 965

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship
SUISANG,
Captain TAIT, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 2nd May, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, April 27, 1900. 971

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at THURSDAY ISLAND, PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

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EASTERN,
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This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly-qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 6, 1900. 794

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship
YUENSANG,
Captain P. H. ROSE, R.N.R., will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 4th May, at 4 p.m.

This Steamer has superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, April 27, 1900. 955

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship
ALGIERS,
Captain PETERSEN, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 15th May.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 24, 1900. 918

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship
TSINAN,
Captain ANDERSON, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 15th May.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A duly-qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

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Hongkong, April 23, 1900. 863

RIGAUD'S KANANGA WATER OF JAPAN



The most delightfully refreshing Perfect Water. It removes the skin tone, relieves mosquito bites and imparts a delicate fragrance and feeling of comfort.

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For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, April 30, 1900. 932

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship
HAMBURG,
of the HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Captain P. LUNDSCHOSS, due here with the outward German Mail about 1st May, will leave for the above places about 24 hours after arrival.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
For further particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 28, 1900. 980

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship
WUHU,
Captain BENSON, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 3rd May.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 30, 1900. 985

THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship
ANPING MARU,
Captain L. SATO, will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 4th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 972

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MARSEILLES AND LONDON, (*Via* MANILA).

THE Company's Steamship
YANGTSZE,
H. L. ALLEN, Commander, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 5th May.

For Freight, &c., apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 28, 1900. 986

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAM SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE.

THE Steamship
AIRLIE,
Captain ST. JOHN GEORGE, will be despatched as above SATURDAY, the 5th May, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 30, 1900. 993

THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LD.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship
TAMSUI MARU,
Captain K. SOHAJIMA, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 6th May, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 30, 1900. 991

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR ILOILO.

THE Company's Steamship
SHANTUNG,
Captain SALES, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 8th May.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 30, 1900. 995

FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship
ST. REGULUS,
will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 8th May.

For Freight, apply to
DODWELL & Co., Ld.,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 30, 1900. 877

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

(Taking Cargo at LONDON Rates).

THE Company's Steamship
IDOMENEUS,
Captain RILEY, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 24th May.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 949

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship
PATROCLUS,
Captain DICKENS, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 29th May.

For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, April 19, 1900. 901

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3-3 L. L. British Ship
GEORGE T. HAY,
SEWELL, Master, is ready to load and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, April 9, 1900. 841

Mails.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANÇAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX
ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON **MONDAY**, the 7th May, at 1 p.m., the Co.'s S. S. *ERNEST SIMONS*, Captain DURANDE, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES *Via* Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal Places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m.; Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 6th May. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, April 24, 1900. 940

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO, *VIA* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN & HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Hongkong Maru, (via S'hai, N'saki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu),	TUESDAY, May 8, at Noon.
Nippon Maru, (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	THURSDAY, May 31, at Noon.
America Maru, (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	TUESDAY, June 26, at Noon.

THE S. S. *HONGKONG MARU* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA & HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 8th May, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

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C. L. GORHAM, *Acting Agent.*

Hongkong, April 16, 1900. 869

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD Co.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO, AND SAN FRANCISCO *VIA* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to JAPAN PORTS, and HONOLULU, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, THE CENTRAL and SOUTH AMERICA, Etc.

Strathgyle ..... 5023...On 20th May.
Belgrave King.... 3379...About 5th June
Thyra..... 3812...About 8th July.

THE S.S. *Strathgyle* will be despatched for SAN DIEGO, and SAN FRANCISCO, *Via* KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on 20th May.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 p.m. the day previous to Sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All Parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

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For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents,
HONGKONG, CHINA & JAPAN.

Hongkong, May 1, 1900. 80

Mails.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL despatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATES named:—

FOR.	STEAMSHIP.	CAPTAIN.	DATE.
MARSEILLES & LONDON	*Malacca*	E. G. ANDREWS	About 3rd May.
LONDON, &c.	*Chusan* *	C. T. DENNY	Noon, 12th May.
SHANGHAI	*Ballarat*	C. L. W. FEILD	About 12th May.
YOKOHAMA, Via N'SAKI & KOBE.	*Rohilla* †	S. TOCQUE, R.N.R.	About 12th May.

* See Special Advertisement. † Passing through the Inland Sea.

For Freight or passage, and further Particulars, apply to
A. M. MARSHALL, *Acting Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, April 28, 1900. 979

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG; PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

STEAMERS WILL CALL AT *SOUTHAMPTON* TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Sailing Dates.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 2nd May.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 16th May.
HAMBURG (HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE)	WEDNESDAY, 30th May.
SACHSEN	THURSDAY, 14th June.
OLDENBURG	THURSDAY, 28th June.
BAYERN	THURSDAY, 12th July.
STUTTGART	THURSDAY, 26th July.
KONIG ALBERT	THURSDAY, 9th August.
WEIMAR	THURSDAY, 23rd August.
PRINZ HEINRICH	THURSDAY, 6th September.
PREUSSEN	THURSDAY, 20th September.
HAMBURG (HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE)	WEDNESDAY, 3rd October.
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY, 17th October.
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY, 31st October.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 14th November.
STUTTGART	WEDNESDAY, 28th November.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 2nd day of May, 1900, at Noon, the Steamship PRINZ HEINRICH, of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain H. SUEMER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on MONDAY, the 30th April, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 p.m. on TUESDAY, the 1st May, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on TUESDAY, the 1st May.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.
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Agents.

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U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu,	TUESDAY, May 15, at Noon.
City of Rio de Janeiro, (via S'hai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Y'hama and H'lulu).	SATURDAY, June 9, at Noon.
City of Peking, (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Y'hama and H'lulu).	THURSDAY, July 5, at Noon.

THE U. S. Steamship *China* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 15th May, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

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C. L. GORHAM,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 25, 1900. 926

Not Responsible for Debts.

NEITHER the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

THESTLE, Austrian barque, Capt. A. A. Weldon.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

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TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, *VIA* THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu).	Tuesday, May 1, at Noon.
Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu).	Wednesday, May 23, at Noon.
Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu).	Tuesday, June 14, at Noon.

THE Co.'s Steamship *GAELIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *via* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 1st May, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

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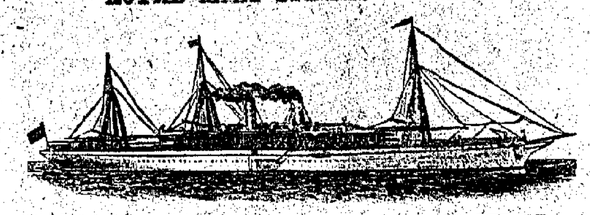
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